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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the enclosed materials are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicant respectfully requests that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 Form be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Pursuant to the provisions of MPEP 609, Applicant requests that a copy of the PTO 1449 Form, initialed as being considered by the Examiner, be returned to the Applicant with the next official communication.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), it is believed that no fee or statement is required with the Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the following Office Actions and responses associated with one or more of the inventors of the instant application and/or the assignee of the instant application. This material is available and accessible at the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

**METHODS FOR MAKING COPPER AND OTHER METAL INTERCONNECTIONS IN INTEGRATED CIRCUITS**

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**COPPER METALLURGY IN INTEGRATED CIRCUITS**

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), copies of cited U.S. Patents and Published Applications, and Non-Published Applications identifiable by USPTO Serial Number, are no longer required to be provided to the Office. Applicant acknowledges the requirement to submit copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2).

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